

Term 3, Week 7, September 3rd, 2014

Dear Parents and Caregivers,



REMINDER - Pupil Free Day Term 3

Our Term 3 Pupil Free Day for the school will be held on Monday 22nd September. This is the Monday of Week 10 of the term. Professor Martin Westwell, the inaugural Director of the Flinders Centre for Science Education in the 21st Century that supports quality teaching and innovation in Science and Mathematics education will be coming to Mount Gambier to lead a Professional Learning Day for staff of DECD schools in the Limestone Coast. Martin has worked in the biochemical industry and was Deputy Director of the Institute for the Future of the Mind

at Oxford University before taking up his post at Flinders University. Martin's work fits extremely well with the directions that we are taking with our teaching and learning programs at Reidy Park, particularly in Mathematics, Science and ICT. This was the only date available in 2014 that Martin could travel to the South East thus several other schools in the Mount Gambier and South East Coast will also be closed so that their staff can also attend this important presentation. OSHC will be available for families on this day but please make your bookings early.

Literacy, Numeracy and Book Week 2014

During Week 6 we were all focused on Literacy, our favourite books and reading for learning, pleasure and enjoyment. Last Friday we had our major celebration and it was fabulous to see staff and students of our school dressed as their favourite story book character. Prior to our assembly we held a Student Literacy Tour and classes visited all classrooms to see the Book Week displays. *Well done everyone!*



Tracy Kain & Jayne Hickman - Admin Officers PIRATES



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Minute to Win It

Congratulations to our Year 5 students who participated in the Mount Gambier Lions Club 'Mad Minute to Win It'. Students from all of our local schools participated in this exciting competition and I am pleased to announce that Reidy Park students were the overall winners. The outstanding way in which they conducted themselves during the competition was certainly a credit to their families the school and most importantly themselves.

Cupcake Day

A reminder that as a special end of term treat students will be able to purchase cupcakes for recess on Wednesday 24th September. There will be an opportunity to pre-order cupcakes that will be delivered to classrooms at recess time. An order form will be forwarded home later in the term.





Congratulations

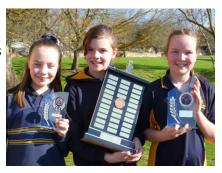
May I take the opportunity on behalf of our entire school community to offer our congratulations to two of our staff members who recently announced their engagement. To Mr Sam O'Neill and Miss Jess Duke we wish you every happiness for your future together. *Congratulations!*

Chris Sheldon PRINCIPAL

Lesley Okholm DEPUTY PRINCIPAL Sue Hutchesson ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Lions Mad Minute

Year 5 students participated in the Lion's Mad Minute recently, an impromptu speaking competition judged by members of The Lion's Club. The 3 best speakers were invited to compete against 12 other schools from our district where we were very successful and proud of the those who competed. Alice A won overall best speaker on the day against 36 competitors while Sarah D was placed second overall. Reidy Park was the announced the aggregate winner and were presented with a trophy now situated proudly in the Front Office. *Well done! Renee Perryman Teacher*



Sarah, Alexis L, Alice

Open Day - for 2015 Reception Students

We would like to remind you that we will be hosting an Open Day on Wednesday 10th September from 9:30am. Information sessions in the Library will be followed by tours of the school for anyone already enrolled or intending to enrol their children at Reidy Park in Reception for 2015. Learn about our school, it's features and programs. Performing Arts, Physical Education, ICT, Literacy & Numeracy, Student Wellbeing, Resource Centre and Early Years Programs. Please RSVP by Friday 5th September with Tracy on 8725 3381 or email dl0290_infor@schools.sa.edu.au.

Fundraising News

Our recent major raffle of a Gold Coast Holiday was successfully drawn at our Book Week Parade last Friday and it was happily accepted by our winner Ainslie Lamb and family who were present at the time. Thankyou to all who supported this raffle and especially our sponsors.

Ainsley, Jesse & Maya Lamb are congratulated by Principal (Paper Bag Princess) Chris Sheldon

Congratulations to all other winners.

1st	Ainslie Lamb	Gold Coast Holiday for 2 adults/2 children
2nd	Brad Field	\$250 Sporting Goods donated by <i>Sportscene</i> , Mt Gambier
3rd	R Dowdell	\$170 16" Malvern Star Bike donated by <i>Daktari</i> Sport
4th	Ward Leicester	\$120 Goods and Voucher donated by <i>Autobarn</i> , Mt Gambier
5th	Georgia Monkley	\$50 Meal & Drinks Voucher Donated by <i>The Nelson Hotel</i>
6th	Kane Baseley	\$40 Voucher for Scooter Hire Rides donated by <i>Scooters2Go</i>



Play Support Roster

Tomorrow's activity is Father's Day gifts while next Thursday will be Movie & Popcorn. If you are interested in these activities held in The Flex with the Peer Support Leaders and Miss Mouat, speak to your class teacher for a Classroom Pass.

Sue Mouat

Play Support Coordinator

Learning Assistance Volunteers Needed for 2014 - (L.A.P)

In the past Reidy Park has conducted a Learning Assistance Program, a program where volunteers , in partnership with teachers work with students in a one to one basis twice a week. This significant individual time creates more learning situations where students can experience success and support their achievements at school. The individual time of working with a volunteer supports children in developing their confidence and social skills.



If you are interested in becoming a LAP volunteer please contact Coordinator Sue Mouat at school. Sue Mouat

L.A.P. Coordinator



Chocolate Fundraiser

Earlier in the year we held a successful Cadbury chocolate fundraiser. For those of you that like to indulge in this colder weather, please visit the Front Office as we still have some of those boxes remaining and would like to wrap up this fundraising venture.

Lesley Okholm

Fundraising Committee

Year 6/7 choir Excursion to the C. W. A.

The year 6/7 choir students are giving a small performance to the ladies of the CWA this Friday 5th September. This is a great opportunity for our students to connect with different parts of our local community and also warm up for our up coming choir Festivals. Any parents who would like to attend are most welcome to come along and enjoy the informal performance. This performance will start at approximately 2:00pm in the CWA Hall, Lawrence Street Mt Gambier, and will last approximately 30 minutes. We thank the CWA for the generous invitation.

Andrew Bone

Performing Arts Teacher

Child Dental Benefits Scheme

Have you received a Child Dental Benefits Scheme letter from Medicare? This scheme allows eligible children to receive \$1 000 work of dental treatment over a two year period. For more information contact Ferrers Dental Surgery on 87 230 230 Monday to Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm.









Eat Smart B Active

Rooms 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 22 & 23 have received the next edition of the Eat Smart Be Active Newsletter containing valuable information about cereals. *Keep up the good work!*

Jen Herbert Coordinator





Liana Hrvatin as Frank the Turtle

Lauren Manser as Baby Bear



Sue Hutchesson as Big Honey Hunter





COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

South Indians Baseball South Indians Baseball Clu

South Indians Baseball Club Inc. are hosting a 'Come and Try & Registration Day' on Sunday 14th September from 12 noon till 3:00pm at Blue Lake Sports Park with a B-B-Q lunch provided. All welcome. For more information contact Shane on **0431 063 481** or Travis on **0448 697 073**.

Old Courthouse

Art Workshops on offer begin with - make your own Apple Collecting Basket that tucks under your arm, made from Palembang cane, vines and fabric this Saturday 6th September from 10:00am. Cost \$35. For more information ora other workshops available call Glenys on **0466 155 848**.



Netball S. A. Clinics



Netball SA are again running School Holiday clinics in Adelaide during the school holidays. School Holiday Netball Clinics provide players aged 5-16 years with the chance to be coached by State Premier League players and accredited Netball SA Community Coaches. Clinics focus on technique, ball control, shooting, defence, passing, footwork, small sided games and most importantly they are FUN! For more information visit sa.netball.com.au

<u>Little Athletics Come & Try</u>

Come and enjoy top facilities and equipment including brand new state of the art Timing Gates. Come & Try Registration day is Friday 17th October in Mt High School oval from 4:30pm. Season Commences Sunday 12th October on Mt High School oval from 10:00am to 12:00 noon. To register visit www.salaa.org.au>joinup>new registration or call Jonathon on 0432 790 913 or email littleathsmtg@gmail.com



Mt Gambier Fruit & Veg Swap

The next Mt Gambier Fruit & Veg Swap will be held this Saturday 6th September from 10:00 -10:30am at the Mt Gambier Public Library Verandah. Please bring along any excess produce, seedlings/cuttings or herbs and swap for other local home-grown produce. The Swap Meet is for sharing rather than trading. There is no weighing or calculating and no money changes hands. Any excess produce is donated to the local Sunset Kitchen.



Blue Light Disco

The Mt Gambier Public Library will host another Blue Light Disco Friday 19th September from 6:30 - 9:00pm at the Library for Primary grades 4 - 7 following the theme of 'Blue'. Tickets are available from the Mt Gambier Police Station for \$5 each with all proceeds supporting local youths in need.

















